

Remarks

The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks. The Applicants have added dependent claims 49 and 50.

In the Advisory Action dated May 12, 2005, the Examiner briefly addresses a point that the Applicants have raised about how displayed date information in Marmel, Microsoft Project 2000 Bible ["Marmel"] should be understood. ("[T]he examiner would like to note Marmel's teaching that dates can be included on the Gantt bars through the GanttChartWizard, contrary to the dispute of the applicants.") The Applicants acknowledge that Marmel indicates dialog boxes in a wizard "enable you to select other types of information to display, such as resources and dates on Gantt bars." [Marmel, page 264.] Even if the displayed text for a task bar somehow relates to a date, however, this does not change the timing followed in the Marmel Gantt chart. Rather, the timing for the Marmel Gantt chart still follows a single calendar line above all of the task bars. [See Marmel, Figures 1-1, 1-2, 1-3, 1-7, 9-10, 9-11, and 9-12.]

The Applicants have filed concurrently herewith an Information Disclosure Statement citing two references. These two references support the Applicants' position concerning the disputed disclosure about date information and timing in Marmel.


Claims 1-35 and 42-50 should be allowable. Such action is respectfully requested.

If any issues remain, however, the Examiner is formally requested to contact the undersigned attorney at (503) 226-7391 prior to issuance of the next communication in order to arrange a telephonic interview. This request is being submitted under MPEP § 713.01, which indicates that an interview may be arranged in advance by a written request.

Respectfully submitted,

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